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FOR NEA/PAB ARCHARD FROM ADMIN OFFICER JIM YOUNG PLEASE PASS TO DACCA DCM DESIGNATE ALF BERGESEN

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- 1. AMBASSADOR SENT A LONG LOU LETTER TO YOU AT USUN SEVERAL WEEKS AGO. ASSUME YOU CAN TRACK THIS DOWN. IT WILL ANSWER MANY OF YOUR QUESTIONS REGARDING HOUSING AND RELATED MATTERS. IN SUM, WE ARE CURRENTLY JUGGLING SOME HOUSING AND ARE NOT EXACTLY SURE HOW THINGS WILL WORK OUT. HOWEVER, WE WILL DEFINITELY HAVE A GOOD HOUSE AVAILABLE FOR YOU ON ARRIVAL.
- 2. AS PART OF THE EQUIPMENT PROVIDED FOR THE DCM, THERE IS A CHINAWARE SET FOR 24, SILVERWARE SET FOR 18, GLASS-WARE FOR 24, AND AN ADEQUATE SET OF MISCELLANEOUS KITCHEN EQUIPMENT AND APPLIANCES INCLUDING COOKING UTENSILS AND APPURTENANCES. ADDITIONAL GLASSWARE IS AVAILABLE FOR SPECIAL OCCASIONS. I SUGGEST YOU SHIP ALL REQUIRED BED AND TABLE LINENS TO DACCA.

THE ELECTRIC OUTLETS ARE TWO-PIN BRITISH STYLE IN MOST HOUSES, 220 VOLTS 50 CYCLE. A PERSONAL SUPPLY OF ADAPTORS FROM U.S. STYLE TO LOCAL STYLE IS RECOMMENDED FOR CONVENIENCE. NON-LEADED GASOLINE IS NOT REPEAT NOT AVAILABLE IN BANGLADESH: THE 1975 FORD WILL OPERATE ON UNCLASSIFIED

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LEADED GASOLINE WITH CONSEQUENT DETERIORATION OF CATALYTIC

CONVERTER EMISSION CONTROLS WHICH ARE NOT REQUIRED HERE. OCCASIONALLY, VEHICLES ARE OFFERED FOR SALE BY DEPARTING PERSONNEL OF THE FOREIGN AND DIPLOMATIC COMMUNITY. YOU SHOULD BE ABLE TO BUY ONE FROM A DEPARTING DIPLOMAT WITHIN A REASONABLE TIME. SHIPMENT OF FOREIGN MADE VEHICLES IS NOT PERMITTED TO BANGLADESH, UNLESS THE VEHICLE WAS PURCHASED IN THE UNITED STATES.

- 3. SUGGEST YOU REQUEST THAT YOUR AIR FREIGHT BE ROUTED DULLES, LONDON, THENCE VIA BRITISH AIRWAYS OR BANGLADESH BIMAN DIRECT TO DACCA OR BY PAA TO BANGKOK WITH RETURN TO DACCA. AVOID NEW DELHI DUE TO LONG DELAYS ENCOUNTERED THERE. DACCA OM OF 15 NOVEMBER TO OPR/ST IS RELEVANT.
- 4. SUGGEST YOU READ BOOK "LIVING IN DACCA" COPY OF WHICH WE HAD SENT TO MS. JOAN R. WILSON, WORKSHOP FOR FOREIGN SERVICE FAMILIES, ROOM 1100, SA-3. I AM POUCHING YOU ANOTHER FOR YOU TO RETAIN.
- 5. WE WELCOME YOUR ASSIGNMENT TO DACCA AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU UPON ARRIVAL. MASTERS

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